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## National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

### 1. Name of Property

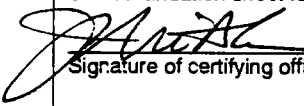
historic name Maddux House  
other names Maddux's Island, Maddux's Warehouse, Inclosure, Captain William T. Ford House S-160

### 2. Location

street & number 9084 Maddox Island Road ☐ not for publication  
city or town Upper Fairmount x vicinity  
state Maryland code MD county Somerset code 039 zip code 21867

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this ☒ nomination ☐  
request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic  
Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property ☒ meets ☐ does  
not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally. (☐  
See continuation sheet for additional comments).

  
Signature of certifying official/Title

11-14-02  
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. (☐ See continuation sheet for additional comments).

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby, certify that this property is:

- ☐ entered in the National Register.  
☐ See continuation sheet.  
☐ determined eligible for the National  
Register.  
☐ See continuation sheet.  
☐ Determined not eligible for the National  
Register.  
☐ removed from the National Register.  
☐ other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

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**5. Classification****Ownership of Property**

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- ☒ private  
☐ public-local  
☐ public-State  
☐ public-Federal

**Category of Property**

(Check only one box)

- ☒ building(s)  
☐ district  
☐ site  
☐ structure  
☐ object

**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing

Noncontributing

1

1

buildings

sites

structures

objects

1

1

Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

**number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register****6. Function or Use****Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

COMMERCE/TRADE/warehouse

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

**7. Description****Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions)

EARLY REPUBLIC/Federal

MID 19<sup>th</sup> CENTURY/Greek Revival**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation

BRICK and STONE/Fieldstone

walls

WOOD/Weatherboard and Shingle

roof

METAL/Tin

other

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

**Description Summary:**

The Maddux house is located on a high ridge of land on a parcel historically known as Maddux's Island, which is located north of Upper Fairmount in Somerset County, Maryland. The two-story, six-bay, ell-shaped frame house faces southeast with the principal gable roof oriented on a northeast/southwest axis. On the northwest side of the house is the Manokin River and to the east is Back Creek. The property is approached by a long dirt road that crosses an expansive tidal marsh that surrounds the high ground on which the nominated house is located.

**8. Statement of Significance****Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☒ **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history.
- ☐ **B** Property associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ **D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply)

Property is:

- ☐ **A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ **B** removed from its original location.
- ☐ **C** a birthplace or grave.
- ☐ **D** a cemetery.
- ☐ **E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ **F** a commemorative property.
- ☐ **G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

**Area of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Commerce

**Period of Significance**

c. 1780-1860

**Significant Dates**

c. 1780 ; c. 1825 ; c. 1850-60

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Unknown

**9. Major Bibliographical References****Bibliography**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets)

**Previous documentation on files (NPS):**

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- ☒ State Historic Preservation Office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Name of repository: Somerset County Historical Trust

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**10. Geographical Data**Acreage of Property 1.17 acres**UTM References**MONIE, MD GVA

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

1	18	430280	4220670	3							
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing				
2				4							

☐ See continuation sheet**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet)

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet)

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Paul B. Touart  
Organization Private Consultant date 5/23/01  
street & number Cedar Hill P. O. Box 5 telephone 410-651-1094  
city or town Westover state MD zip code 21871

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets****Maps**A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.**Photographs**Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.**Additional Items**

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO)

name John Orth and Dana Simson  
street & number 27510 Fairmount Road P. O. Box 200 telephone 410-651-0330  
city or town Upper Fairmount state MD zip code 21867

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Built in three distinct phases, the earliest portion of the Maddux house is a two-story, 29' x 20' timber frame structure erected during the last quarter of the eighteenth century. Around 1825 the eighteenth-century house was significantly improved with a new layer of Federal woodwork. Lastly, around 1850-60, the eighteenth-century dwelling was enlarged in two directions with substantial two-story additions to the southwest and northeast. Joining the house on the nominated lot is a non-contributing single-story, concrete block garage. Also on the property but not part of the nomination is a small family cemetery.

### General Description:

— Assembled in three periods, the Maddux house is a two-story, six-bay, ell-shaped frame house supported on a continuous brick foundation and the structure is sheathed with asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched roofs are covered with a layer of tin over wood shingles. The earliest portion of the house is the eastern three bays of the main block, which was erected around 1780 on a Flemish bond brick and stone foundation. The wrought nail frame structure stood unfinished for several decades and was not fitted with interior trim until the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The eighteenth-century frame structure was finished with Federal woodwork common to the 1820s and 1830s. Around 1850-60, the eighteenth-century frame dwelling was enlarged to the southwest with a two-story, side hall/parlor plan frame addition trimmed with Greek Revival woodwork. To the rear is a two-story, one-room plan service wing.

The southeast (main) elevation is a six-bay façade with an entrance in the third bay from the southwest corner. The mid nineteenth-century six-panel front door is framed by a five-light transom and three-light sidelights. The adjacent bays are fitted with six-over-six sash windows. Distinguishing the western window openings as well as the front door are plain surrounds topped by shallow pediment surrounds. The three windows east of the entrance are framed by narrow beaded edge surrounds. The second floor is lighted by six window openings; the three windows that light the mid nineteenth-century addition are framed by plain surrounds with shallow pediments. The eastern three windows are framed by narrow, beaded edge surrounds. Trimming the base of the roof is a mid nineteenth century boxed cornice with period bed and crown moldings. Piercing the roofline are three chimney stacks. A center stack and the western stack have two flues each and are distinguished by a dentiled brick cornice. The single flue brick stack at the east end has a dentiled cornice as well.

— The southwest gable end is pierced by a symmetrical fenestration of six-over-six sash windows on the first and second floors. All of the windows are framed by plain surrounds with shallow pediment lintels. The attic is lighted by four-over two sash windows. Trimming the edge of the roof is a molded bargeboard.

— The northeast (rear) wall is partially covered by the two-story, one-room plan rear wing. The section of wall not covered by the wing is pierced by a combination of early and mid

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nineteenth-century window and door openings. Located in the eastern of the four bays is a nine-over-six sash window that lights the one of the room in the eighteenth-century section. The rear hall entrance is fitted with a mid nineteenth-century six-panel door and to the west are mid nineteenth-century six-over-six sash windows topped by shallow pediment lintels. The easternmost bay is defined by an early nineteenth-century six-over-six sash window.

The balance of the rear wall is covered by the two-story, two-bay, one-room plan rear wing built around 1860. The first and second floors are lighted by six-over-six sash windows which are trimmed with shallow pediment lintels. The windows on the north gable end flank an interior end brick stack finished with a decorative cap. Attached to the east side of the wing is a single-story, gable roofed frame pump house.

The east gable end of the main block is pierced by a combination of six-over-six sash window openings and a six-panel door that provides a side entrance into the present kitchen. The window openings flank an interior end brick stack finished with a decorated cap. The edge of the roof has an extended eave with returns at the base of the roof.

The interior combines elements of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century architectural finishes. The main entrance opens into a wide stair hall that survives with a mid nineteenth-century staircase. A turned mahogany newel post and series of tapered round oak balusters support a ramped handrail. The stringer is embellished with a graceful scroll decoration. Below the stringer the wall surface is treated with five vertical panels framed with a Greek Revival edge molding. The perimeter of the room is trimmed with a high baseboard topped by an ogee cap molding.

West of the stair hall is the parlor, which is entered through a doorway trimmed with a Greek Revival surround featuring side pilasters that rise to a shallow pediment lintel. The mid nineteenth-century six-panel door retains a layer of dark brown graining executed in an oak pattern. The parlor interior is lighted by six window openings which are framed by elaborate Greek Revival surrounds with shallow pediments and pilasters that stretch to the floor and flank flat panels below the window sills. A paint decorated slate mantel that framed the firebox was taken from the house several years ago. The perimeter of the room is fitted with a high baseboard molding topped by a decorative cap.

East of the hall is a narrow dining room that features a Federal mantel and a Federal chair rail molding. The mantel has tall proportions with an early nineteenth-century backband molding that frames the firebox. The firebox surround supports two plain end blocks, which in turn, visually support a boldly molded and broken mantel shelf. The doors and windows were retrimmed during the mid nineteenth century with bold, crossetted surrounds featuring heavy ogee backbands and shallow pediment lintels. A four-panel door, framed by crossetted Greek Revival surround, is located in the northwest corner of the room and opens into a small closet under the staircase.

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Adjacent to the dining room is the current kitchen, which is simply finished with plaster walls and a plain mid nineteenth-century mantel on the east wall. The mantel has plain pilasters, a plain frieze, and a thick board shelf.

North of the kitchen is a rear service stair as well as an additional first floor room which has been converted into rustic den. An exposed brick chimney with a corbelled base is centered on the north wall. The plaster ceiling has been removed from this room to expose the mid nineteenth-century joists.

The second floor of the ell-shaped house is divided into five principal chambers. The parlor chamber at the western end of the house is finished with mid nineteenth-century woodwork including shallow pediment surrounds that frame the door and windows as well as a mid nineteenth century mantel centered on the west wall. The mantel has plain pilasters that rise to a plain board frieze topped by a thick board shelf. The perimeter of the room is fitted with a plain baseboard.

The adjacent stair hall is dominated by the continuation of the main stair which provides access to the finished attic. The handrail ramps before each newel post and the stringer is embellished with the scroll decoration. The window and door openings in the hall are framed by shallow pediment Greek Revival surrounds. The second floor has several reused six-panel doors dating from the eighteenth- and early nineteenth centuries.

The dining room chamber is a narrow room fitted with a mid nineteenth-century mantel and eighteenth-century window and door moldings. The narrow eighteenth-century molded surround consists of a half-inch backband finished with a half round profile which stands forward of a plain inner surround trimmed with a beaded edge. The eighteenth-century surround on the inner wall frames a raised six-panel door.

The inner door in the dining room chamber opens into a back hall that provides access to another chamber in the southeast corner as well as a bathroom and the rear service staircase. The southeast chamber, entered through a raised six-panel door, is plainly finished. The chamber on the north side of the service stair is trimmed with mid nineteenth-century woodwork that includes a plain Greek Revival mantel and plain window surrounds. A mid nineteenth century paneled door in the southeast corner of the room has a grain painted finish.

The attic of the house is partly finished and partly unfinished. The space over the mid nineteenth-century addition is roughly plastered. Riven lath is evident where sections of plaster is missing. A small board hatch opens into the unfinished section over the eighteenth-century section. Evident within the eighteenth-century roof frame are wrought nails that fasten collar beams to common rafters. The end wall studs in many places are fastened with wrought nails as well. An inside surface of shiplap siding, now covered on the exterior, is evident in places on each gable end. The common rafters rest on a board false plate.

A crawl space is accessible under the eighteenth-century section, where the stone and brick foundation is clearly evident. The floor framing for the eighteenth-century section was replaced during the nineteenth century. One floor joist has beaded edges and was taken from

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another structure and reused when the floor was reworked. Located at the west end of the crawl space is an arched niche associated with the center stack. Directly adjacent to the stack on the north side are the remnants of several timber steps and a bulkhead entrance that was covered over when the mid nineteenth-century addition was attached.



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### Summary Statement of Significance:

Located on an isolated site on a ridge surrounded by river and marsh landscapes, the Maddux house derives its significance from three periods of distinct architectural change, thereby representing the process of rebuilding that took place in phases across the lower Shore between 1780 and 1860. Encapsulated in this six-bay house is a late eighteenth-century frame structure that was modified initially around 1820-30 with a layer of Federal woodwork. A second and more extensive rebuilding took place around 1850-60. The blend of these architectural forms and finishes reflects the changing priorities and needs of the Maddux family, principally Henry S. Maddux, as he and wife were influenced by traditional vernacular plans and nationally popular architectural woodwork.

The isolated site of Maddux's Island was developed as a location of export and import during the late eighteenth century when a road was built across the marsh to access this high parcel of land and the deep water moorings off shore. As a location for the transshipment of local goods and produce, it served the population of Somerset County and the lower Shore during the preindustrial era when the Manokin River was a principal artery of transportation and communication.

### Resource History and Historic Context:

Construction of the late eighteenth-century two-story frame section of the Maddux house occurred during the ownership of John Maddux (1720-1801), who inherited the lands through his father Thomas Maddux's will, filed in the Somerset County Courthouse in 1763.<sup>1</sup> Thomas Maddux had the 590 acres of his land resurveyed in 1740 as "Maddux's Inclosure." At some point during the ownership of Thomas Maddux, or his son John, a road was built across the marsh to the ridge of land bordering the Manokin River. By the time Dennis Griffith published his map of Maryland in 1795, "Maddux's Warehouse" was a key location in the region and warranted inclusion as an important site.

Four years later, the Federal assessors visited the Maddox Inclosure tract and described its improvements. John Maddux was the owner and occupant of

*1 Dwelling House built of wood 28 feet by 20 feet, Two Story high, 10 windows, 5 feet by 2 feet, 1 Cook House 16 feet by 12 feet, 1 Milk House, 8 feet square, 1 Smoake House, 8 feet square, the Dwelling House never was Finish'd, the others Houses Indiffit.<sup>2</sup>*

The land assessment described the river plantation as,

<sup>1</sup> Somerset County Will Book, EB 4/102, Will of Thomas Maddux, written 19 November 1762, proved 23 February 1763.

<sup>2</sup> Federal Direct Tax Assessment, Great Annemessex Hundred, Particular List of Dwelling Houses, John Maddux.

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*1 Tract of Land called Maddux's Inclosure, 590 acres on which is 1 Store House 20 feet by 16 feet, one story high of wood, 1/2 acre deducted, the above Land near all marsh.<sup>3</sup>*

The slave schedule in the Federal Direct tax assessment states that John Maddux owned 29 slaves, 9 of whom were between the ages of 12 & 50.<sup>4</sup>

The 1798 tax assessment clearly identifies a 28' by 20' frame structure on the property. The dimensions of the eastern half of the main block agree in size, and the wrought nail construction found in the roof frame indicates that the extant house and the unfinished frame structure listed in 1798 are one in the same. The dwelling was joined on the site with a normal assortment of outbuildings as well as the 20' by 16' "store house," which points to the commercial nature of the site.

— John Maddux died three years later, and in his 1801 will he bequeathed to his wife Sarah "all plantation whereon I now live for her natural life and the use of personal estate" and after her decease the property was to be divided between Daniel Maddux (son of Daniel) and Littleton Dennis Maddux (son of Elzey).<sup>5</sup>

The northern portion of the Maddux's Inclosure" plantation went to Daniel Maddux, who held title to the island property until his death in 1819. In his will he states

*I give and devise unto my son Daniel Maddux all that part of the land and marsh which was left to me by my relation John Maddux, deceased....beginning at the mouth of Cedar bridge gut, thence running up said gut to the Warehouse Road and thence with the said Warehouse Road to the extent of the said land...<sup>6</sup>*

Maddux's Warehouse was an important fixture in the region during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, and its significance is inferred in the diary of Thomas Seon Sudler, a local planter, who owned Sudler's Conclusion. On November 16, 1799, Thomas Seon Sudler commented that he had "carried two hogshead of tobacco to the warehouse." A second item, entered on March 19, 1802, states that he had 7 hogshead of tobacco inspected at Maddux's Warehouse from where they were shipped.<sup>7</sup>

By the early 1820s Daniel Maddux's son, Henry S. Maddux was in possession of the Maddux Island plantation. Henry Maddux married Ann S. Turpin on September 23, 1823 and it was probably after this event that the old and unfinished eighteenth-century frame house was fitted with Federal woodwork. Henry S. Maddux resided on the island plantation through the

<sup>3</sup> Federal Direct Tax Assessment, Particular List of Lands, Great Annemessex Hundred, John Maddux.

<sup>4</sup> Federal Direct Tax Assessment, Particular List of Slaves, Great Annemessex Hundred, John Maddux.

<sup>5</sup> Somerset County Will Book, EB 23/34, Will of John Maddux, proved 1 June 1801.

<sup>6</sup> Somerset County Will Book, EB 23/270, Will of Daniel Maddux, written 9 November 1801, proved 13 April 1819.

<sup>7</sup> Diary of Thomas Seon Sudler, typescript, personal research files.

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extent of his life. He is listed in the 1850 United States census as a 54-year old farmer with his wife Ann, another adult, Major Maddux, aged 65, as well as two daughters, Elizabeth and Ellen, and a son Gustavus.<sup>8</sup>

In 1858, Gustavus A. Maddux married Elizabeth Ballard Maddux, daughter of Daniel Maddux.<sup>9</sup> In his last will and testament Henry S. Maddux left his estate to his wife Ann during her widowhood, and then to his son Gustavus.<sup>10</sup> Gustavus and Elizabeth Maddux retained ownership of the island property until July 1871 when they transferred ownership to William T. Ford for \$7,100, excepting a small parcel containing the family burial ground.<sup>11</sup> Captain William T. Ford is located on the island site on the 1877 Fairmount map contained in the Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas, and he is listed in the patron list as a "sailor and a farmer" with ownership of 50 acres.<sup>12</sup> Captain Ford retained ownership of Maddux's Island through the balance of the nineteenth century and until 1904 when it passed to Herschel Ford.<sup>13</sup> During the twentieth century "Maddux's Island" has passed through several owners. Despite many owners, few modifications were made to the house during the twentieth century. In April 2001, the present owners, John Orth and Dana Simson, acquired approximately 300.42 acres, of which 45.38 acres is high ground.<sup>14</sup> A small parcel of 1.17 acres with the house has been isolated for the purposes of the nomination.

<sup>8</sup> Seventh Census of the United States, 1850, Population Schedule, transcribed by Ruth T. Dryden, p. 141.

<sup>9</sup> Seventh Census of the United States, 1850, Population Schedule, transcribed and annotated by Ruth T. Dryden, p. 141.

<sup>10</sup> Somerset County Will Book, SCL 5/216, Written 17 September 1856, proved 7 April 1868.  
Somerset County Land Record, LW 13/ 76, 29 July 1871.

<sup>11</sup> John L. Graham, The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Wicomico County Bicentennial Committee, 1976, p. 29.

<sup>13</sup> Somerset County Will Book, TD 21/1, 1 August 1904.

<sup>14</sup> Somerset County Land Record, 503/958, 3 April 2001.

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### Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at a point marked "A" on a plat drawn by George E. Young, III, as recorded as a "Minor Subdivision of the lands of Richard J. Bouchard, et als., recorded in the Somerset County Land Record 292/461 along the course of the Manokin River, thence by and with the course of the Manokin River for a distance of 170' to a point along the said Manokin River marked "B" on the plat, thence by and with a boundary line in a southeasterly direction for 300' to a point marked "C" to a point coincidental with the Young survey, thence North 63 degrees 21 minutes 52 seconds East for 98.76' to a point marked "D", which is coincidental with a lot line on the Young survey, thence North 16 degrees 35 minutes 54 seconds East for 110.97' to a point marked "E", which is coincidental with a lot line on the Young survey, thence North 51 degrees 41 minutes 39 seconds West for 325.06' feet to the place of beginning marked "A" containing approximately 1.17 acres more or less.

### Boundary Justification:

The 1.17 acres that join this house in nomination is the immediate ground surrounding the house and includes the expanse of yard between the house and the Manokin River. The boundary line is partially coincidental with the current lot lines. Other than the single course that runs along the edge of the Manokin River, the balance of the boundary lines are completely arbitrary in relation to the historic landscape.

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Map 31, Parcel 55  
Account #6-099602

ITP 503/558                      Richard J. Bouchard, et al.

to

4/3/2001                      John Orth  
Dana Simson  
45.38 acres  
255.04 acres of marsh

ITP 292/461                      Alexander G. Jones  
Thomas S. Simpkins, trustees

to

3/3/1976                      Richard J. Bouchard  
Roland E. Gillihan  
J. Richard Warbasse  
\$146,000    containing 45.38 acres of arable land and 255 acres of  
marshland, ITP 10/44   Plat 7/7/1964, "Plot of  
Maddux's Island, assigned for sale to Alexander G.  
Jones and Thomas S. Simpkins, trustees, 10/22/1975,  
Chancery Case No. 9738, An undivided 1/3 interest by  
Richard B. Vallett and Sandra A. Vallett, 1/4/1972,  
ITP 264/336.

ITP 264/336                      Brice Sewell Vallett

to

1/4/1972                      Richard B. Vallett  
Sandra A. Vallett

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Chain of title continued

Item Third-conveyed to Brice Sewell Vallett and Mary Vallett by  
two deeds:

1. from Elizabeth Lee Jones, single, dated 12/14/1951,  
BLB 155/384

2. from Elwood F. Melson, widower, 4/29/1961, GJB 203/435

GJB 203/435

Elwood F. Melson, widower

to

4/29/1961

Brice Sewell Vallett  
Mary Vallett  
50 acres of high land, 310 acres of marsh

BLB 255/384

Elizabeth Lee Jones

to

12/14/1951

Brice Sewell Vallett  
Mary Vallett, City of Wilmington, De.  
One-half acre-oyster lot

Somerset County  
Will Book  
TD 21/1

Last Will and Testament of William T. Ford

to

8/1/1904

Herschel Ford

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Maddux House

Maddux's Island

Upper Fairmount vicinity, Somerset County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

LW 13/76

Gustavus A. Maddux

Elizabeth D. Maddux

to

7/29/1871

William T. Ford

\$7,100 "Maddux's Island" except from this conveyance the family  
graveyard

1877 Atlas, Captain William T. Ford, sailor and farmer, 50 acres

Somerset County

Will Book

SCL 5/216

Last Will and Testament of Henry S. Maddux

to

Written

9/17/1856

Proved

4/9/1868

Gustavus A. Maddux

JD 6/604

William Maddux

to

8/8/1821

Henry Maddux

\$3,000 situate on the south side of Manokin river called and known  
by the name of "Inclosure" or "Maddux's Island"  
360 acres....it being part of the land of a certain Daniel  
Maddux now deceased....

Valuation of commissioners-Somerset County Chancery case



Maddux House  
Maddux's Island  
Upper Fairmount vicinity, Somerset County, MD  
Chain of title continued

1850 United States Census  
Somerset County  
Population Schedule

Henry S. Maddux, 54, farmer  
Ann S. Maddux, 56  
Major Maddux, 65  
Elizabeth " , 20 (1827-1908)  
Gustavus A. , 19  
Ellen " , 14, (died without issue)

Henry Maddux, son of Daniel, married Ann S. Turpin, 23 September 1823.  
Elizabeth married Daniel J. Ballard, 4/5/1853  
Gustavus married Elizabeth Ballard Maddux, daughter of Daniel, in 1858

Somerset County  
Will Book  
EB 23/270

Last Will and Testament of Daniel Maddux

to, son

Written  
11/9/1801  
Proved  
4/13/1819

Daniel Maddux

I give and devise unto my son Daniel Maddux all that part of the land and marsh which was left to me by my relation John Maddux, deceased....beginning at the mouth of Cedar bridge gut, thence running up said gut to the Warehouse Road and thence with the said Warehouse Road to the extent of the said land to heirs and his heirs forever....

I also give and devise unto my son Daniel part of my dwelling plantation as followeth--all all my woodland, one negro boy named Cesar, and one named Isaiah...

I give and bequeath unto my two sons William and Daniel Maddux my still & worm with equal priviledge to said still & worm to each & their heirs...

Maddux House

Maddux's Island

Upper Fairmount vicinity, Somerset County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

Somerset County

Will Book

EB 23/34

Last Will and Testament of John Maddux (born c. 1720)

Written

5/28/1801

Proved

6/1/1801

1. to wife Sarah, all plantation whereon I now live for her natural life and the use of personal estate with exception of legacies

2. to Daniel Maddux—relation (son of Daniel) and Littleton Dennis Maddux (son of Elzey) all land and appurtenances to be divided between them; at the white oak standing at the line which divides testator's land from the land of Elzey Maddux, deceased, thence to the mouth of a creek called "Great Ditch Creek"—all the land to the north to Daniel and those to the south to Littleton

1798 Federal Direct Tax Assessment-Great Annemessex Hundred, Dwelling Houses,

John Maddux, owner and occupant

1 Dwelling House built of wood 28 feet by 20 feet, Two Story, high 10 windows, 5 feet by 2 feet, 1 Cook House 16 feet by 12 feet, 1 Milk House, 8 feet square, 1 Smoake House, 8 feet square

The Dwelling House never was Finish'd, the other Houses Indiff.

Value \$160

1798 Federal Direct Tax Assessment-Great Annemessex Hundred, Lands

John Maddux, owner and occupant

1 Tract of Land called Maddux's Inclosure, 590 acres on which is 1 Store House 20 feet by 16 feet, one story high of wood, ½ acre deducted, the above Land near all marsh

Value \$850

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Maddux House

Maddux's Island

Upper Fairmount vic., Somerset County, Maryland

Chain of title continued

1798 Federal Direct Tax Assessment-Great Annemessex Hundred, Slaves

John Maddux, 29 slaves-9 between the ages of 12 & 50

1794 [1795] Dennis Griffith, *Map of the State of Maryland*, shows Maddux's Warehouse

1783 Tax Assessment-John Maddux-590 acres

1740 Resurvey for Thomas Maddux, "Maddux's Inclosure" 590 acres

Somerset County

Will Book

EB 9/62

Last Will and Testament of Lazarus Maddux (born c. 1654)

to, son

Written

1/18/1716

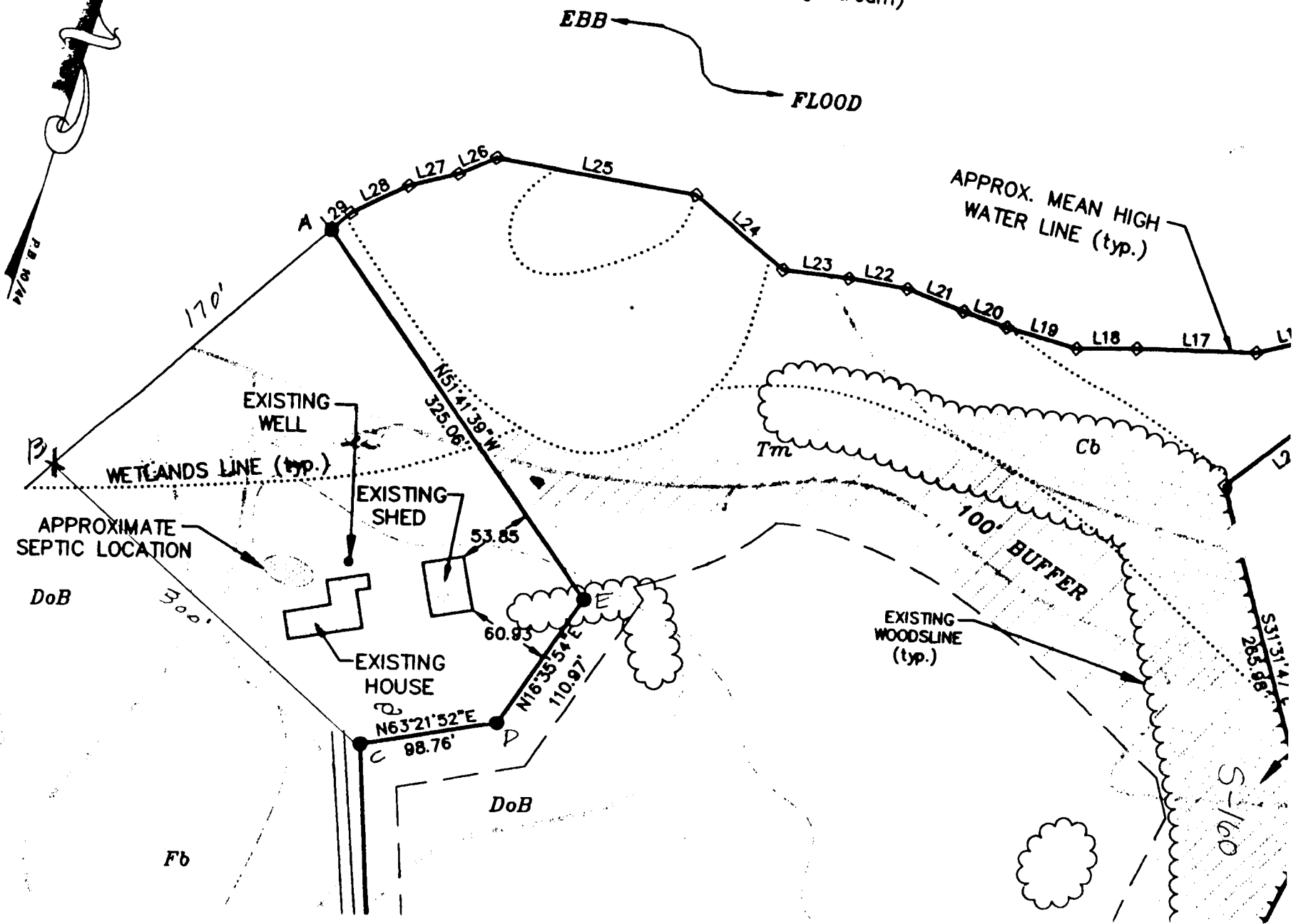
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3/19/1716/7

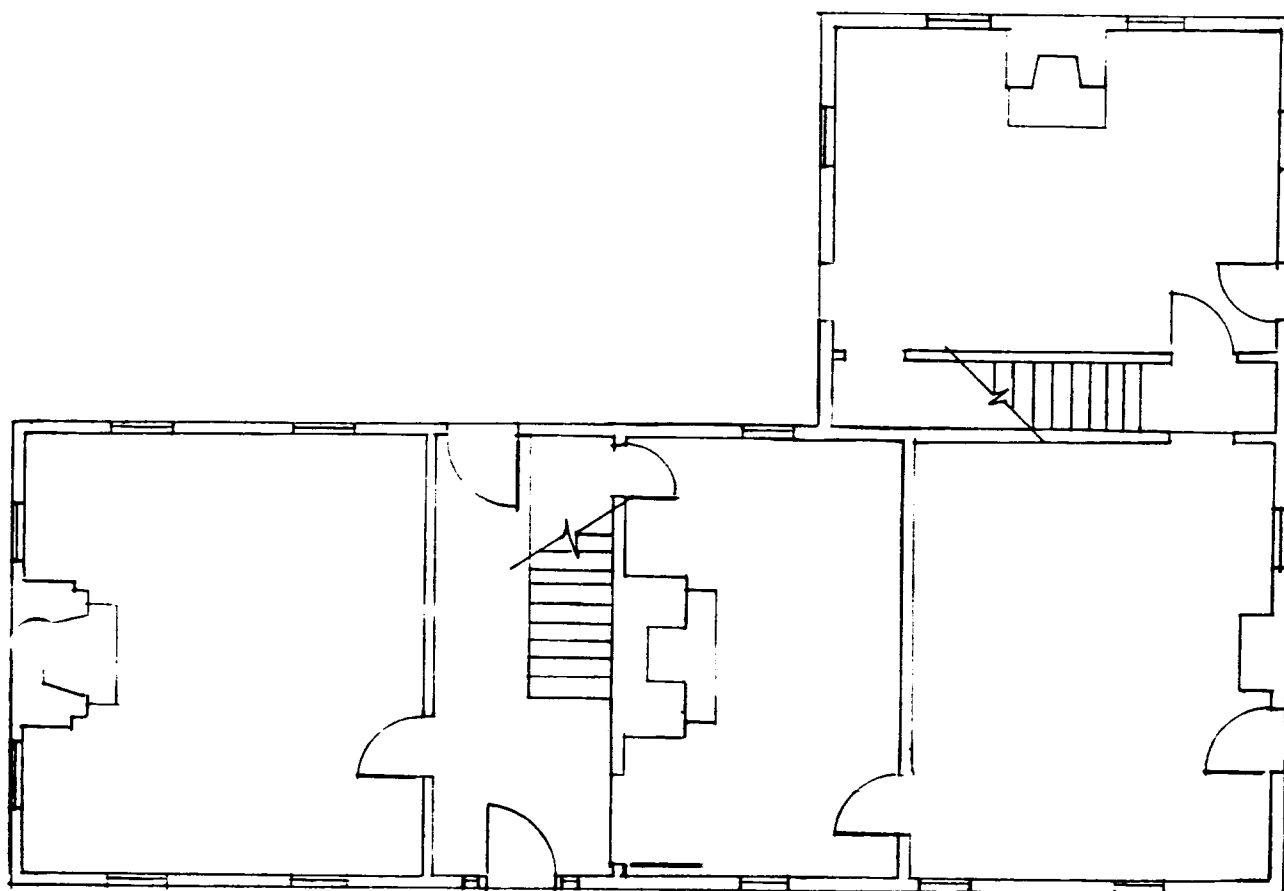
Thomas, 300 acres of several patents containing 900 acres on the south side of the Manokin River on a creek called Woolf Trap Creek  
-one negro boy named "Will"  
-winmill to one whipsaw

# MANOKIN RIVER

(anadromous fish spawning stream)



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c 1850

c 1850

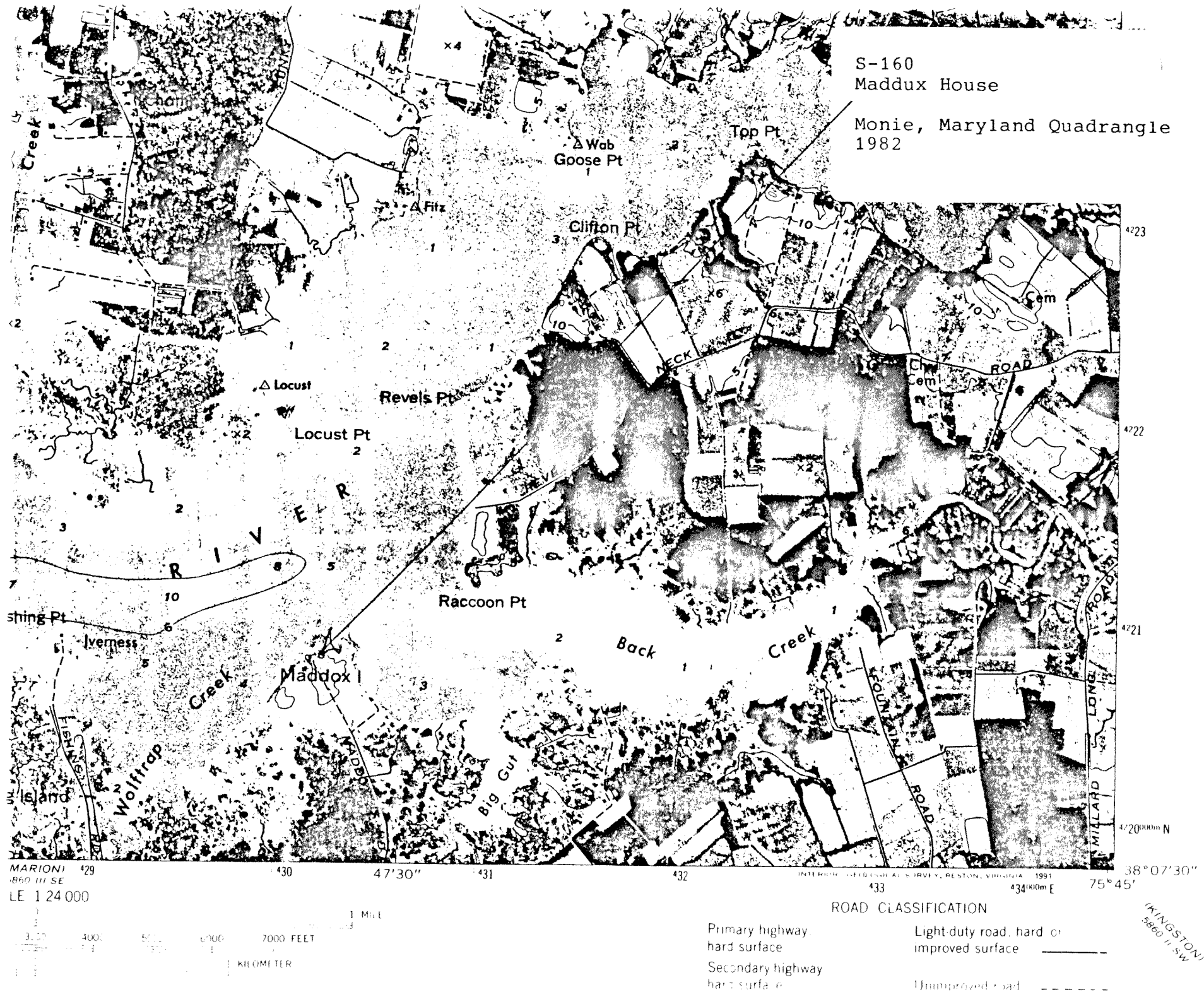
c 1780

MADDUX HOUSE S-160  
MADDUX'S ISLAND, SOMERSET COUNTY

1/8" = 1'0"



Monie, Maryland Quadrangle  
1982



DEAL ISLAND  
STATE  
WILDLIFE MANAGE

4225

10'

4224

4223

4222

4221

4220

38°07'30"

110 000  
FEET

75°52'30"

Letter Cove

East Pt

Crab P

St F  
Isl

Oriole Cem

James

△ Fitz

△ Locust

Revels Pt

Locust Pt  
2

Raccoon Pt

Maddox

Big Gut

△ W  
Goose  
1

Clift  
3





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MADONNA HOUSE

UPPER FARMINGTON VILL., - 17 miles S. of

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

5/01, PAUL TRUST, PITTSBURGH, PA.

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Maddy House

UPPER KIRKMAN VALLEY, SOMERSET Co. W. Va.  
SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

5/01, PAUL TOWANT, PHOTOGRAPHED

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Drummond House

Upper Drummond vic, Sonoma Co. CA

NORTHWEST ELEVATION

5/01, Paul Tourant. PHOTOGRAPHED

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Draining House

UPPER FARMHOUSE  
- owned by Co. 400

WEST CHIMNEY

5/01, Farm House, photo.

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MANNING HOUSE

UPPER PARADISE VIC,  
SOMERSET CO., MD

MAIN ENTRANCE,  
SOUTHEAST ENTRANCE

5/01, PAUL TOURNEY, PHOTO.

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MADDERLY HOUSE

UPPER BRAMHALL VIC.

SOMERSET CO, MA

PARKER DOOR

6 17 7



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MADONNA HOUSE

UPPER FARM MOUNT VIC, SOMERSET  
CO., N.S.W.

GARAGE, SOUTHWEST CORNER

S/O, PANIC TOWER, PHOTOGRAPHIC

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1987

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Captain William T. Ford House  
Near Upper Fairmount  
Private

c. 1860-1880

William T. Ford purchased this Maddox Island property in 1871 from Gustavos A. Maddox and his wife, Elizabeth, for \$7,100 (LW 13/76). The fifty-acre tract apparently contained, at least, part of this two-story six-bay frame house. The center room contains c. 1820-1840 interior woodwork as well as a single 9/6 sash window. All other architectural fabric appears to date from the third quarter of the 19th century during the ownership of William T. Ford. The land records document Ford as an oyster commissioner beginning on March 31, 1890.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-160

Magi No. 2001605504

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Captain William T. Ford House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number Maddox Island, at the end of Maddox Island Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Upper Fairmount ☒ vicinity of congressional district 1

state Maryland county Somerset

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Dr. Richard Warbasse et al.,

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Register of Deeds liber 292

street &amp; number Somerset County Courthouse folio 461

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The "Captain William T. Ford House" stands on Maddox Island on the south shore of the Manokin River. The house faces south with the main gable running east/west. Upper Fairmount is the nearest town.

The two-story six bay by one-room frame house rests on a partially excavated cellar with brick foundation and is covered by a wood shingle roof. Weatherboards have been sheathed with asbestos siding.

The house appears to have been built in at least two or three stages. The western (left) three bays comprise a c. 1860 side hall/parlor house with Greek Revival exterior and interior woodwork. Directly adjacent to the hall is the dining room with c. 1820-1830 interior woodwork and one nine over six sash window on the north wall. The final two bays of the main block comprise a c. 1860-1870 section (now kitchen). In addition, a two-story ell extends from the back of the present kitchen and appears to date from the third quarter of the 19th century.

The south facade consists of six evenly spaced bays with the eastern three trimmed with Greek Revival surrounds. The six-panel front door occupies the third bay from the left and is flanked by three-light side-lights and topped by a five-light transom. The door surround is plain but is topped by a shallow pediment. The remaining three bays are filled by six over six sash with plain narrow trim. Stretching across at the base of the roof is a boxed cornice with ogee bed molding.

The west gable end has two windows to either side of the corbelled cap brick chimney. A matching brick stack rises between the hall and dining room, and smaller brick chimneys with corbelled caps rise from the remaining gable ends.

The back side contains the inside corner of the ell. It is detailed in the same manner as the rest of the house with the one exception of an earlier 9/6 sash which lights the dining room. All other doors and window moldings follow third quarter of the 19th-century patterns.

The eastern elevation consists of the gable end of the main block as well as the side of the ell addition. Also located on this side is a cellar entry under the present kitchen. Under the present dining room section is what appears to be the remnants of an earlier house foundation. Also noteworthy are separate sets of sills and floor joists which indicate at least two and probably three periods of construction.

The interior was not open but the side hall/parlor section is finished with c. 1860 woodwork. A turned newel post and tapered round balusters support an oval handrail. The stringer has a scrolled decoration, and the soffit is divided into panels. The hall door surrounds consist of a classical arched doorway with shallow pediment and dentiled capitals on plain pilasters. These surrounds frame six-panel doors.

The parlor is fitted with similar moldings with the addition of a marble fireplace and smoked baseboard.

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## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

1877 Captain William T. Ford - Sailor and farmer

50 acres - nativity-Somerset Co. 1835

The Captain William T. Ford House is a significant early to mid-19th-century home house standing on the shore of the Manokin River. The usual two-story six-room dwelling with dentiled brick chimney caps is distinguished inside by above average mid 19th-century woodwork.

The construction of this house as well as its neighbor, the John C. White House, indicates that water transportation in Somerset County remained the primary mode of travel until the Civil War period. Afterwards roads were improved and the introduction of the railroad in other areas opened up inland Somerset for mid to late 19th-century development.

### History and Support

William T. Ford purchased the Maddox Island property in 1871 from Gustavos A. Maddox. William T. Ford appears on the 1877 Somerset County patron list as a sailor and a farmer as well as owner of fifty acres. On March 31, 1890, Ford was documented in County land records as an oyster commissioner for a four-year term.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name MonieQuadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting				Northing				

B 

Zone	Easting				Northing				

C 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paul Touartorganization Somerset County Historical Trust date 10/6/83street & number 424 N. Somerset Avenue telephone \_\_\_\_\_city or town Princess Anne, state Maryland 21853

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Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438

The dining room on the other hand is finished with simple 19th-century chair rail and a c. 1820 late Federal period mantel. The bold ogee molded backband window and door surrounds have shallow pediments as well as cross-setted sides.

The present kitchen is finished in a simple manner with c. 1860-1870 woodwork, as is the rear ell room.

Since the house was not open, only the first floor could be described.

The only outbuilding is a concrete block garage.

CHAIN OF TITLE

Captain William T. Ford House

292/461

Alexander G. Jones  
Thomas S. Simkins - Trustees

to

Drs. Richard Warbass, Rowland E. Gillian,  
Richard J. Bouchard  
\$146,000.00 45.38 acres of arable land  
255.04 acres of marshland  
"Maddox's Island"

ITP  
264/336  
Jan. 4, 1972

Richard B. Vallet

to

Richard B. Vallet  
Sandra A. Vallet  
Wilmington, Delaware

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to

Brice S. Vallet  
Mary Vallet  
By two deeds

1. from Eliz. Jones 12/14/1951  
B.L.B. 155/384
2. from Elwood F. Melson 4/29/1961  
G.J.B. 203/435

B.L.B. 155/384

1. where an oyster house was formerly located  
½ acre to Elizabeth Jones by Somerset Packing  
Company 9/22/1951 B.L.B. - being the same land  
from Hershel Ford to Edward E. Tull and Robert  
Jones 9/29/1906 S.F.D. 44/168
2. Hershel Ford

S.F.D. 44/168  
9/29/1906

to

Edward Tull  
Robert H. Jones

Will

William T. Ford

to

Hershel Ford

mentions property which William T. Ford purchased  
from Gustavos A. Maddox-50 acres-Maddox's Island

LW 13/76  
July 29, 1871

Gustavos A. Maddox  
Elizabeth Maddox

to

William T. Ford

\$7,100. Potato Neck - Maddox's Island  
-50 acres -

Will

Henry S. Maddox

to

Gustavos A. Maddox

\* William T. Ford - Oyster commissioner-four year term beginning on  
March 31, 1890 - recorded among land transfers -



SCALE 1:24 000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 FEET

DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, hard surface  
Secondary highway, hard surface  
Light-duty road, hard or improved surface  
Unimproved road  
Trails  
( ) Interstate Route ( ) U. S. Route ( ) State Route

MONIE, MD.

N3807.5—W7545/7.5

1972

AMS 5860 III NE—SERIES 7833

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
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S-160 CAPTAIN WM T. FORD HSE



Captian William T. Ford House  
Upper Fairmount, Somerset County  
South Elevation

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North Elevation  
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West Elevation  
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